

# NASHUA HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Monday, July 25, 2016 6:30 p.m. – Room 208, City Hall

## *Members:*

Robert Sampson  
Ald. David Schoneman  
Robert Vorbach  
Mariellen MacKay  
Christopher Barrett  
Edward Weber

## *Also present:*

Marcia Wilkins, Planner I, Planning Department

## **MINUTES:**

June 27, 2016:

**MOTION** by Ms. MacKay to approve the minutes as presented, waive the reading, and place the minutes in the permanent file.

**SECONDED** by Mr. Barrett.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **7-9 Amherst St, LLC (Owner) Filip Thurston (Applicant) 9 Amherst Street (Sheet 67 Lot 47A) requesting the following: Front (south) elevation - remove four windows and remove infill panels on front porch, also, remove bump-out windows; Rear (north) elevation - remove five windows and kitchen stove vent; Right side (east) elevation - remove porch infill (4 sections); for entire house renovation including replacing siding, windows, roof shingles, and retaining/restoring roof trim, corner boards, exterior doors and porch details. RB Zone, Ward 3.**

Mr. Sampson said the Historical Society is an abutter to the project. He asked if anyone had any opposition to his sitting with the Commission; if so, he will step down. As there was no opposition, Mr. Sampson continued to preside.

Mr. Filip Thurston, of 40 Temple St. in Nashua, introduced himself. He said the house was built in the 1800's and has since deteriorated. They want to preserve and restore most of the architectural elements of the house, create a safe and efficient home and create something that will last a long time. They want to preserve the two entry porticos and entry doors and trim. The front porch will be retained but 4 sections of infill will be removed. The roof trim, overhand and crown molding will be preserved and restored. The siding will be replaced with 3-inch, woodgrain vinyl siding, with a minimum number of J-Channels. They are going to strip the

roofing to make repairs as needed and put architectural shingles in its place. He described several structural issues that will be addressed, including a sag in the roof at the front of the building.

Ms. MacKay asked if they were going to replace the bathrooms.

Mr. Thurston said there are currently two full bathrooms and one half bathrooms in the house. There will be a new oversized full bathroom and a half bathroom added.

Ald. Schoneman asked if it will be a single family home.

Mr. Thurston said yes.

Mr. Barrett asked if they would be putting shudders on the house.

Mr. Thurston said there's no plan to put shudders up.

Mr. Sampson said the offices of the Historical Society are in support of the project.

**MOTION** by Mrs. MacKay to approve the request, as presented.

**SECONDED** by Mr. Barrett.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Ald. Schoneman gave an update regarding the proposed expansion of the Historic District. After speaking with Mayor Donchess and several supporters of the expansion, it was thought that scaling back the expansion, to include only Berkeley St might be a possibility.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

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